REMARKS AND ELECTION

1. Summary of Office Action

In the Office Action mailed April 7, 2005, the Examiner classified the Applicants'

invention as two distinct inventions and restricted the Applicants to one of the following

two groups of claims, of which:

Group I is Claims 1-12 and 14-24, drawn to a method for detection of server-like

devices, classified in class 709, subclass 224; and

Group II is Claim 13, drawn to a program for querying managed devices,

classified in class 709, subclass 217.

2. Election

In compliance with M.P.E.P. Section 818, the Applicants elect claims 1-12 and

14-24 of Group I without prejudice. The Applicants reserve the right to pursue the

subject matter of Claim 13 in a divisional application.

Respectfully submitted,

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